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SUBJ: STATEMENT ON SALT TWO

REF: STATE 204981

1. WE DELIVERED A COPY OF THE STATEMENT CONTAINED IN REFUEL TODAY TO ROSE, ASSISTANT UNDER SECRETARY FCO. ROSE APPRECIATED RECEIVING COPY OF THE STATEMENT IN ADVANCE OF RECEIPT FROM UK NATO. HE MADE NO COMMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF STATEMENT BEYOND SAYING THAT IT WAS FAMILIAR IN LIGHT OF RECENT US-UK CONSULTATIONS ON SALT IN SEPTEMBER. HE DID INQUIRE, HOWEVER, ABOUT US PLANS FOR FURTHER CONSULTATION IN NATO "AT OUTSET OF FIRST SESSION OF SALT TWO". FOR PLANNING PURPOSES HE SAID IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO KNOW WHETHER US HAD IN MIND SESSION AT NATO IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO NOV 21 OR SHORTLY AFTER OPENING SESSION AT GENEVA.

2. ACTION REQUESTED. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION ON US CONSULTATION PLANS WHICH WE MAY PASS TO ROSE.

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